

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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April 01, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

28 April 1, 2014

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# AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR WEST COAST SEAWATER BARRIER INJECTION WELL REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to award a contract for as-needed and intermittent injection well redevelopment services to restore the maximum performance of the injection wells for the West Coast Basin Seawater Barrier Project.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the contract work is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Award the Contract for West Coast Seawater Barrier Injection Well Redevelopment Services for an annual sum of \$906,000 to Layne Christensen Company. This contract will be for a term of one year commencing upon the Board's approval or execution by both parties, whichever occurs last, with four 1-year renewal options for a maximum potential contract term of five years.
- 3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute the contract; to renew the contract for each additional renewal option and extension period if, in the opinion of the Director of Public Works or her designee, Layne Christensen Company has successfully performed during the previous contract period and the services are still required; to approve and execute amendments to incorporate necessary changes within the Scope of Work; and to suspend work if, in the opinion of the Director of Public Works or her designee, it is in the best interest of the County of Los Angeles to do so.

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4. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to annually increase the contract amount up to an additional 10 percent of the annual contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, if required; and to adjust the annual contract sum for each option year over the term of the contract to allow for an annual cost-of-living adjustment in accordance with County policy and the terms of the contract.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to provide as-needed and intermittent injection well redevelopment services to restore the maximum performance of the injection wells of the West Coast Basin Barrier Project. The work to be carried out will consist of performing chemical treatment and mechanical redevelopment on a series of wells, treating wastewater, and obtaining necessary documentation to confirm the redeveloped injection wells meet the Department of Public Works' standards. Public Works has contracted for these services since 2005.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 2), and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3). The contractor who has the specialized expertise to provide these services accurately, efficiently, timely, and in a responsive manner will support Public Works in meeting these goals.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The contract is for an annual amount of \$906,000 plus 10 percent of the annual contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, if required, and an annual cost-of-living adjustment in accordance with County policy and the terms of the contract.

Funding for these services is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 Internal Service Fund Budget, which will be reimbursed by Flood Control District Fund Budget. Funds to finance the contract's optional years, cost-of-living adjustments, and 10 percent additional funding for contingencies will be requested through the annual budget process.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended contractor is Layne Christensen Company, located in Redlands, California. This contract will commence upon the Board's approval or execution by both parties, whichever occurs last, for a period of one year. With the Board's delegated authority, the Director of Public Works or her designee may renew the contract for four 1-year renewal options for a maximum potential total contract term of five years.

The contract will be substantially similar to the form previously approved by County Counsel (Enclosure A). Prior to the Director or her designee executing this contract, the contractor will sign and County Counsel will review it as to form. The recommended contract with Layne Christensen Company was solicited on an open-competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in compliance with the requirements of the Chief Executive Officer and the Board.

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The award of the contract will not result in unauthorized disclosure of confidential information and will be in full compliance with Federal, State, and County regulations. The contract contains terms and conditions supporting the Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

Data regarding the proposers' minority participation is on file with Public Works. The contractor was selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

Proof of the required Comprehensive General and Automobile Liability insurance policies, naming the County as additional insured, and evidence of Workers' Compensation insurance will be obtained from the contractor before any work is assigned.

Pursuant to the applicable memorandum of understanding, the Request for Proposals (RFP) for these contracted services was submitted on August 29, 2013, to the appropriate union for review. The union has not asked to meet with Public Works regarding this solicitation.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this recommended contract, which is for services required on an as-needed and intermittent basis; hence, this contract is not a Proposition A contract (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.121).

The contract includes a cost-of-living adjustment provision, which is in accordance with the Board's Policy approved January 29, 2002.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

These services are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and are within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Class 1, Section 15301 of CEQA.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

On September 3, 2013, Public Works solicited proposals from 155 independent contractors and community business enterprises to accomplish this work. Also, a notice of the RFP was placed on the County's "Doing Business With Us" website (Enclosure B), and an advertisement was placed in the Los Angeles Times.

On October 2, 2013, two proposals were received. The proposals were first reviewed to ensure they

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met the minimum requirements in the RFP. All proposals having met these requirements were then evaluated by an evaluation committee consisting of Public Works staff. The evaluation was based on criteria described in the RFP, which included the price, experience, work plan, references, and equipment utilizing the informed averaging methodology for applicable criteria. Based on this evaluation, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to the highest-rated, apparent responsive, and responsible proposer, Layne Christensen Company.

In accordance with the County of Los Angeles Services Contract Solicitation Policy, Policy No. 5.055, the second highest-rated proposer submitted a Proposed Contractor Selection Review request. Public Works provided a detailed response, and they did not request a review by a County Review Panel.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees as these services are presently contracted with the private sector.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Administrative Services Division.

Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
 County Counsel
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#### SAMPLE AGREEMENT FOR

### WEST COAST SEAWATER BARRIER INJECTION WELL REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2014, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a subdivision of the State of California, a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as COUNTY) and LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY, a Delaware Corporation (hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR).

#### **WITNESSETH**

<u>FIRST</u>: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the Board of Supervisors of said COUNTY of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the COUNTY on October 2, 2013, hereby agrees to provide services as described in this Contract for Injection Well Redevelopment Services.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; Exhibit E, Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program; Exhibit F, Injection Well Location Map; Exhibit G, NPDES Permits; Exhibit H, Injection Well Construction Data; Exhibit I, Discharge Plans; Exhibit J, Pre and Post Site Inspection Form; Exhibit K, Sample Redevelopment Daily Data Sheet; Exhibit L, Performance Requirements Summary; Exhibit M, Sample Dual Well Pneumatic Packer Drawing; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Addenda to the Request for Proposals, all of which are incorporated herein by reference, are agreed by the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR to constitute the Contract.

<u>THIRD</u>: The COUNTY agrees, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works, to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal and attached hereto as Form PW-2.1, an amount not to exceed \$906,000 per year or such greater amount as the Board may approve (Maximum Contract Sum).

<u>FOURTH</u>: Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties understand and agree that this Contract is nonexclusive, the COUNTY may enter into other contracts for the performance of the same or similar services, and the CONTRACTOR is not entitled to or guaranteed the assignment of any work hereunder.

<u>FIFTH</u>: This Contract's initial term shall be for a period of one year commencing upon the Board's approval or execution of both parties, whichever occurs last. The COUNTY shall have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to four additional one-year periods for a maximum total Contract term of five years. Each such option and extension shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the COUNTY. The COUNTY, acting through the Director, may give a written notice of intent to extend this Contract at least ten days prior to the end of each term. At the sole discretion of the COUNTY, in lieu of

extending the Contract for the full one year, this Contract may be extended on a month-to-month basis, upon written notice to the CONTRACTOR at least ten days prior to the end of a term. The Director will provide a written notice of nonrenewal at least ten days before the last day of any term, in which case this Contract shall expire as of midnight on the last day of that term. Where all option years have been exercised, the Director will not provide a written notice of nonrenewal.

<u>SIXTH</u>: The COUNTY reserves the right to change any portion of the Work required under this CONTRACT, or amend such other terms and conditions, as may become necessary. Any such revision shall be accomplished in the manner described in Exhibit B, Section 2.A., Amendments.

<u>SEVENTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall bill, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed shall be billed at the unit prices quoted in Form PW-2.1, Schedule of Prices.

<u>EIGHTH</u>: Public Works will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt and approval of a properly completed and undisputed invoice. However, should the CONTRACTOR be certified by the COUNTY as a Local Small Business Enterprise, payment will be made in accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy No. 3.035, Small Business Liaison and Prompt Payment Program. Each invoice shall be in triplicate (original and two copies) and shall itemize the work completed. The invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable P.O. Box 7508 Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

NINTH: In no event shall the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

<u>TENTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

ELEVENTH: The CONTRACTOR shall not perform or accept work requests from the Contract Manager or any other person that will cause the Maximum Contract Sum of this Contract to be exceeded. The CONTRACTOR shall monitor the balance of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum. When the total of the CONTRACTOR'S paid invoices, invoices pending payment, invoices yet to be submitted, and ordered services reaches 75 percent of the Maximum Contract Sum, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Contract Manager in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall send written notification to the Contract Manager when this Contract is within six months from expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove.

TWELFTH: The Director may adjust the rate of compensation set forth in Form PW-2.1 (Schedule of Prices) annually based on the increase or decrease in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics', All Urban Consumers Price Index for the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County Area (CPI) for the 12-month period preceding the contract anniversary date, which shall be the effective date for any such cost-of-living adjustment. The percentage change in the rate of compensation shall equal 12 times the average monthly change in the CPI over the first nine months of the contract term preceding the effective date. However, any percentage increase shall not exceed the general salary movement granted to COUNTY employees as determined by the COUNTY'S Chief Executive Office as of July 1 for the prior 12-month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in COUNTY employee salaries, no cost-of-living adjustment will be granted.

THIRTEENTH: In the event that terms and conditions, which may be listed in the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, conflict with the COUNTY'S specifications, requirements, and terms and conditions as reflected in this AGREEMENT including, but not limited to, Exhibits A through M, inclusive, the COUNTY'S provisions shall control and be binding.

<u>FOURTEENTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR agrees in strict accordance with the Contract specifications and conditions to meet the COUNTY'S requirements.

<u>FIFTEENTH</u>: This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COUNTY has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

	COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
	By Director of Public Works
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
JOHN F. KRATTLI County Counsel	
ByDeputy	LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY
	By Its President
	Its President
	Type or Print Name
	By Its Secretary
	Type or Print Name

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#### **Bid Detail Information**

Bid Number: PW-ASD 894

Bid Title: WEST COAST SEAWATER INJECTION WELL REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES (2013-AN018)

Bid Type: Service

Department: Public Works

Commodity: WELL SERVICES (INCLUDING OIL, GAS, AND WATER): DRILLING, PLUGGING, CONSULTING,

MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, ETC.

Open Date: 9/3/2013

Closing Date: 9/17/2013 2:00 PM Bid Amount: \$ 1,100,000,000 Bid Download: Not Available

Bid Description: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Works requests proposals for the contract for West Coast Seawater

Injection Well Redevelopment Services (2013-AN018). This contract has been designed to have a potential maximum contract term of five years, consisting of an initial one-year term and four potential additional one-year option renewals. The total annual contract amount of this service is estimated to be \$1.1 million. The Request for Proposals (RFP) with contract specifications, forms, and instructions for preparing and submitting proposals may be accessed at http://dpw.lacounty.gov/asd/contracts or may be requested from Ms. Samantha Tsui at (626) 458-4050, stsui@dpw.lacounty.gov, Monday through

Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FREQUENTLY FOR ANY CHANGES TO THIS SOLICITATION. ALL ADDENDA AND INFORMATIONAL UPDATES WILL BE POSTED AT http://dpw.lacounty.gov/asd/contracts.

Minimum Requirement(s): Proposers must meet all minimum requirements set forth in the RFP document at time of proposal submission including, but not limited to:

- 1. Proposer or subcontractor must possess a valid and active California issued Well Drilling license, Contractor Classification C57.
- 2. Proposer or managing employee(s) must have a minimum of three years of experience providing well redevelopment services.
- Proposer's Project Manager and supervising employee(s) must have a minimum of three years of experience providing well redevelopment services.

A Proposers' Conference will be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at 2 p.m. at Public Works Headquarters, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803, in Conference Room D. ATTENDANCE BY THE PROPOSER OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AT THE CONFERENCE IS MANDATORY. Public Works will reject proposals from those whose attendance at the conference cannot be verified. Attendees should be prepared to ask questions at that time about the specifications, proposal requirements, and contract terms. After the conference, Proposers must submit questions in writing and request information for this solicitation within three business days from the date of the conference. After the third business day, it may be impossible to respond to further requests for information.

The deadline to submit proposals is Wednesday, October 2, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. Please direct your questions to Ms. Tsui at the number listed above.

Contact Name: Samantha Tsui Contact Phone#: (626) 458-4050

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